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REMARKS

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2005. Presently, claims 1 to 16 are pending in the application. Claims 1 to 9, 14 and 15 stand allowed. Claims 11 to 13 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) & (e) over the Jacobs et al. U.S. Patent No. 4,943,414. Claims 10-13 and 16 are being cancelled by the present amendment, leaving only allowed claims.

Applicants submit that the application is presently in condition for allowance and request favorable reconsideration and early notice of allowance.

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